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1. SUMMARY: SENIOR MFA OFFICIAL CONFIRMS POST-ASEAN SUMMIT  
JOINT MEETING OF FIVE ASEAN LEADERS AND PRIME MINISTERS OF  
AUSTRALIA, JAPAN AND NEW ZEALAND WILL TAKE PLACE ON "INFORMAL  
BASIS" EVENING OF AUGUST 6. WE ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT FOR NEXT  
TWO WEEKS MFA WILL BE SO PREOCCUPIED

WITH ASEAN SUMMIT AND POST-SUMMIT TALKS THAT THEY WILL BE  
UNABLE TO FOCUS ON OTHER THAN THE MOST URGENT EXTRANEOUS

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ISSUES. END SUMMARY.

2. DURING MY INTRODUCTORY COURTESY CALL ON MFA UNDERSECRETARY  
AJIT SINGH JULY 25, HE CONFIRMED AMBASSADOR HARA'S EARLIER  
PREDICTION (REFTEL) OF A COMPROMISE FORMULA WHEREBY AN INFORMAL,  
UNOFFICIAL MEETING WILL BE HELD AFTER THE ASEAN SUMMIT WITH  
ALL EIGHT HEADS OF GOVERNMENT MEETING TOGETHER (I.E., THE FIVE

ASEAN LEADERS PLUS THE PRIME MINISTERS OF AUSTRALIA, JAPAN AND NEW ZEALAND). FOLLOWING THIS SESSION, SCHEDULED FOR THE EVENING OF AUGUST 6, THE SEPARATE "FIVE PLUS ONE" CONFERENCES WILL COMMENCE THE MORNING OF AUGUST 7, THE ASEAN LEADERS RECEIVING THEIR THREE "GUESTS" IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER (AUSTRALIA THAT MORNING, JAPAN IN THE AFTERNOON, AND NEW ZEALAND THE MORNING OF AUGUST 8). ACCORDING TO AJIT, ALTHOUGH THE POLITICAL ITEMS ON THE AGENDA HAVE BEEN PRETTY WELL DEFINED IN PREVIOUS PREPARATORY MEETINGS, SOME OF THE MORE TECHNICAL ECONOMIC MATTERS STILL REMAIN TO BE THRASHED OUT BEFORE THE SUMMIT.

2. THE SCHEDULE, AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, IS AS FOLLOWS:

JULY 28: OFFICIALS LEVEL MEETING BETWEEN GOM AND JAPANESE REPS ON BILATERAL ISSUES PREPARATORY TO FUKUDA'S VISIT

JULY 29-30: ASEAN SENIOR OFFICIALS TO MEET

AUG. 1-2: ASEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS TO MEET TO FINALIZE THE AGENDA

AUG. 4-5: ASEAN SUMMIT

AUG. 6: INFORMAL MEETING OF ASEAN LEADERS AND PRIME MINISTERS FRASER, FUKUDA AND MULDOON

AUG. 7-8: SEPARATE HALF-DAY MEETINGS OF ASEAN LEADERS WITH AUSTRALIAN, JAPANESE AND NEW ZEALAND PRIME MINISTERS

AUG. 8-10: OFFICIAL VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA

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3. ACCORDING PRESS REPORTS, OVER 500 FOREIGN JOURNALISTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN TOWN TO COVER PROCEEDINGS.

4. MFA SOURCES INFORM US THAT BEGINNING JULY 28 THE MFA IN EFFECT WILL BE CLOSING DOWN WITH ABOUT 200 PERSONNEL RELOCATED AT THE CONFERENCE SITE AT THE KUALA LUMPUR HILTON. (COMMENT: WE EXPECT THAT EXCEPT FOR MATTERS OF EXTREME URGENCY THERE WILL BE NO ONE AVAILABLE FROM MFA TO FOCUS ON MATTERS UNRELATED TO THE SUMMIT AND POST-SUMMIT MEETINGS.)  
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